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C O N F I D E N T I A L GENEVA 5143

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: UN EGEN ECOSOC

SUBJECT: 59TH ECOSOC: PLO APPLICATION FOR OBSERVER STATUS

REF: A) GENEVA 5104; B) STATE 156795; C) FERGESON/BAKER TELCON

1. REF B RECEIVED SHORTLY AFTER REC C TELCON. IN CONSULTATIONS WITH ARABS AND EC-9, AGREEMENT REACHED THAT PRESIDENT WOULD USE FORMULA REPORTED PARA 4, REF A WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT WORDS "IN ACCORDANCE WITH GA RES 3237, ETC., BE REPLACED BY WORDS "CONSISTENT WITH GA RES, ETC.". ALSO AGREEMENT ONLY TWO STATEMENTS WOULD BE MADE AFTER PRESIDENT'S RULING: FIRST BY US TO BE FOLLOWED BY STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF ARABS.

2. AT OPENING OF SESSION PRESIDENT READ OUT FORMULA AND AFTER GAVEL INVITED REP PLO TO TAKE OBSERVER SEAT. US DEL (AMB FERGUSON) MADE STATEMENT REF B FOLLOWED BY STATEMENT OF DEMOCRATIC YEMEN WELCOMING PLO AND RECOUNTING LIST OF ALL OTHER ADMISSIONS AS OBSERVERS. ALSO ASSERTED THAT PLO IN ECOSOC BY VIRTUE OF GA RES 3237. CHINESE, WHO HAD NOT BEEN CONSULTED ON ARRANGEMENTS, INTERVENED TO MAKE STATEMENT OF "WARM WELCOME".

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3. US DEL (AMB FERGUSON) WELL AWARE OF WELL TAKEN LEGAL

POINTS PARA 4, REF B. AMB FERGUSON HAD RAISED MATTER WITH SECRETARIAT PREVIOUSLY. DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE AWARE, HOWEVER, THAT LEGAL ADVISER SUY HAS RULED PRECISELY TO CONTRARY. FOLLOWING IS RELEVANT CONCLUSION HIS OPINION: BEGIN QUOTE.

SI DANS RESOLUTION 3237 (XXIX) L'ASSEMBLEE CONSIDERE QUE OLP A LE DROIT PARTICIPIER EN TANT QU'OBSERVATEUR AUX SESSION ET TRAVAUX DE TOUTES LES CONFERENCES INTERNATIONALES CONVEQUEES SOUS LES AUSPICES D'AUTRES ORGANES DE L'ONU, IL DOIT S'ENSUIVRE A FORTIORI QUE L'OLP DEVRAIT AVOIR LE DROIT DE PARTICIPER AUX TRAVAUX DE CES ORGANES, NOTAMMENT L'ECOSOC. END QUOTE.

MOREOVER, DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE AWARE THAT CHAIR PREPARED TO RULE THAT REQUEST BY OBSERVER FOR FLOOR SUFFICIENT INDICATION AND SATISFACTION OF TULE REQUIREMENT THAT MATTER BE OF APTICULAR CONCERN TO THAT MOVEMENT. IN ANY EVENT, ANY CONTRARY RULING SUCH AS REQUIREMENT THAT MOVEMENT DEMONSTRATE HOW MATTER IS OF PARTICULAR CONCERN WOULD BE OVERTURNED FROM THE FLOOR.

4. IN LIGHT OF FOREGOING, AND IN LIGHT OF KNOWN SENSITIVITY THIS ISSUE, WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE ON URGENT BASIS AS TO POSTURE OF US WHEN PLO FIRST REQUESTS TO TAKE FLOOR. HIGHLY LIKELY THAT PLO WILL REQUEST INSCRIPTION FURING GENERAL DEBATE. DALE

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